DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, California 95814



October 29, 1998

ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. I-65-98

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY PROBATION OFFICERS
ALL GROUP HOME PROVIDERS
ALL FOSTER FAMILY AGENCIES
ALL COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTORS

REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL	
[]	State Law Changes
[]	Federal Law or Regulation
	Change
[]	Court Order or Settlement
	Agreement
[]	Clarification Requested by
	One or More Counties
[X]	Initiated by CDSS

REFERENCE: RITES OF PASSAGE REMOTE TREATMENT CAMPUS

The purpose of this Notice is to provide you information about a change in the deadline for removing California children from the above site. We have received requests from a number of California probation officers for an extension of time. In All County Information Notice No. I-55-98, a deadline of November 1, 1998, was established for terminating state and county funding of California placements at that site. In order to allow an orderly transition for the children placed at that facility, we have extended the removal and funding deadline for California children to December 31, 1998. It is important that placement agencies determine if continued placement is appropriate for children currently at this facility and establish the return timeline (not to exceed the December 31, 1998 deadline if state and county funding are to be utilized) in accordance with the individual child's service needs and case plan. State and county funding will not be utilized for placements of California children at this facility made after the September 15, 1998 notice (ACIN No. I-53-98). Furthermore placement agencies are to decide which alternative placements are suitable for their children. Out-of-state group home placements can be made only to those facilities on CDSS's "Authorized Group Homes Pending Certification List.

If you have any questions about this decision, please contact Patric Ashby, Foster Care Branch Chief, at (916) 324-9084.

Sincerely,

Original Document Signed By Patric B. Ashby on 10/29/98 for

MARJORIE KELLY Deputy Director Children and Family Services Division